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NOTORIOUS BROTHERS HAVE BOTH SUCCUMBED TO WOUNDS.

John Died at 7:35 o'Clock Last Night and Edward Lingered Three and One-Half Hours Longer.

MRS. SOFFEL HAS PNEUMONIA

STATEMENT BY EDWARD BIDDLE TO HIS FATHER CONFESSOR.

Declared that He Was Not Guilty of Killing Grocer Kahney or Detective Fitzgerald.

JOHN BIDDLE ALSO INNOCENT

SAID HIS BROTHER AND HIMSELF WERE WRONGFULLY CONVICTED.

All Shot Themselves Rather Than Be Captured-Letter to Mrs. Soffel That Revealed the Conspiracy.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 1.-There will be no work for the hangman in the case of the condemned murderers who escaped from the jail here last Thursday morning, and who were shot on a Butler county highway on Friday evening. John Biddle died of his wounds at 7:35 o'clock to-night, and Edward Biddle succumbed at 11 p. m. Mrs. Soffel, the warden's wife, who assisted the murderers to escape, and who was wounded in the fight that resulted in the capture of the Biddles, is in a critical condition, but may recover.

Mrs. Soffel developed symptoms of pneumonia this afternoon, after having come safely through an operation this morning for the extraction of the bullet that lodged in her breast. The death of John Biddle was caused by the bullet wounds in his abdomen and bladder. Early in the day the physicians at Butler thought peritonitis was the principal danger in his case, but to-night internal hemorrhage set in and the man bled to death in a short while.

Edward Biddle had been unconscious the better part of the day, and it was evident to all that his lease of life was short. Internal hemorrhages of the lungs kept him almost continually choked. A sister of the Biddles arrived at Butler this evening and was admitted to the jail, but Edward was unable to recognize her. He lingered until 11 o'clock, when he, like his brother, succumbed to his wounds.

REPENTANT AT THE CLOSE. tremely talkative and was at times boastful. But as soon as the shadow of death began to fall upon him and he recognized it, he became repentant. "I know," said he, "that my time here is short, and you can say for me that I am a Christian and will die a sincere believer in God and hope I will have strength enough to say so at the last. I know I have taken part in many wrong deeds, but I have never killed any man and was never implicated with any one who did. I wish I could see Mrs. Kahney. I would tell her the truth about the killing quick and I don't care how."

the streets at Butler to-day has been whether the Butler county authorities would permit the removal of the Biddles to Allegheny county in the event of either or both surviving their injuries. The contention was raised that, since the Biddles were under arrest at Butler for felonious shooting, they could not be removed. District Attorney John R. Henninger dispelled any doubts on that point this evening by stating that it was the intention to turn Edward Biddle over to the Allegheny authorities as soon as he was in condition to be moved with safety if he survived, and the same action would be taken with reference to Mrs. Soffel. District Attorney John C. Haymaker, Assistant District Attorney John S. Robb and County Detective Robert G. Robinson, of Allegheny county, arrived at Butler at noon to-day and at 2 o'clock were in conference with District Attorney Henninger, County Solicitor F. W. Lawry, former District Attorney A. M. Christler and J. M. Painter and W. Z. Murrin, when an understanding was reached with reference to the disposition of the prisoners.

FEAR TO REMOVE MRS. SOFFEL. After a consultation at the hospital in the case of Mrs. Soffel this evening, District Attorney Haymaker decided to allow the woman to remain in Butler, as her condition is such that a trip to Pittsburg tonight might be attended with fatal results. Mrs. Soffel is suffering considerably from her wound, and the attending physicians fear her removal now would cause gan-

Attorney Haymaker said there would be no decision made of the prize money until the claims of the Butler people had been heard, and the latter will take steps to notify the commissioners of Allegheny

county of their claim. The excitement at Butler was unabated to-day, and a dense crowd of people hung about the jail doors all day trying to get in to see the two criminals. The most persistent of the crowd were women, many of whom expressed the deepest concern and sympathy for Edward Biddle and declared their belief in his innocence. This belief seemed to deepen when it became known that Edward Biddle made a deathbed confession to the Rev. Father Walsh, of this U. place, last night, declaring his innocence of the crime of shooting Groceryman Kahney

and Detective Fitzgerald. One of the sensational developments of the day, which the authorities have tried to keep secret, was the finding of a long letter from Edward Biddle to Mrs. Soffelsetting forth in detail the plan for the escape of the brothers from the jail, naming house in Durham, N. C., and \$2,300 from cumstance came to the knowledge of Corr's replies.

their destination afterward, etc. MRS. SOFFEL'S STORIES. Mrs. Soffel's only wound was made by a bullet which penetrated the left breast. It was from a .32-calibre revolver, and It was from a 32-calibre revolver, and ment at Durham, N. C., and Richmond, of this fact and booked passage on a transcoursed around the rib to the left side, which occurred here less ton of the reports was obtainable in ofthan a year age when John Waldron killed first quarters. lodging in the shoulder blade. About 3 weeks for his arrest.

o'clock this morning Dr. G. K. McAdoo operated on her, removing the bullet. Mrs. Soffel told two different stories of the shooting, one to the effect that she shot herself during the fight of the stories of the stories. herself during the fight, and the other that she was shot by Edward Biddle. The bullet did not go through her outer garment, which indicates that the shot was fired by herself, or Biddle by putting the hand under the coat.

About 10:30 o'clock this morning Mrs. Soffel took a bad turn. She asked for her children and they will probably be sent for. The change was due to her long, wild ride through the wintry air and the exposure resulting from insufficient clothing and lack of good food, and also from the intense excitement and strain under which she has labored ever since she fled with the murderers. Mrs. Deitrich, her mother. visited her to-day and, in response to the question as to whether there was anything she wanted done, she replied: "There is nothing to do, nothing to do.

Tossing on her bed she said: "O I do not know how I could have done it. I don't know; I don't know. I am a wicked woman, but I hope God will spare my life for many years to live down this thing' In spite of the amicable agreement con-

cerning the disposition of the prisoners entered into to-day by the district attorneys of Butler and Allegheny counties, the quarrel broke out afresh to-night. When Detectives Roach and Swinehart, of Pittsburg, who had been appointed by District Attorney Haymaker to represent Allegheny county, heard of the approaching death of John Biddle, they hastened to the jail, but were refused admission by Sheriff Hoon. The latter said the two men were dying and no person should be admitted. The Pittsburg officers claimed their right under the agreement, but the sheriff was obdurate, and Roach and Swinehart were forced to retire and telegraph home for

instructions. TEMPEST IN A TEAPOT. District Attorney Haymaker's reply was to the effect that the trouble was a tempest AND SLOW PROGRESS WAS MADE in a teapot and the result of some misunderstanding by the minor jail officials. He thinks the trouble will vanish quickly when the objecting officials learn that the \$5,000 reward offered by Allegheny county was Provisions Finally Gave Out and the for the delivery of the bodies of the Biddles, dead or alive, into the possession of the County Commissioners. Should the Butler county officials succeed in retaining possession of the prisoners they could not share in the reward, because the conditions have not been fulfilled

The declaration by Edward Biddle that he did not shoot Detective Fitzgerald and was not implicated in the Kahney murder is given no credence by Superintendent of Police Demmler and Detective Kelley. As to the Biddles' declaration that neither of them was at the Kahney house the night f the murder Detective Kelley said: "That is absurd. Fred Ohlinger positively identified them, as did several others. The Seebers woman was accounted for that night. The Biddles' statement in this regard is absurd, as a preponderance of evidence

Former Warden Soffel made the startling revelation that he had been under the influence of chloroform during the night when the Biddles broke jail. Mr. Soffel believes the anesthetic was administered by

The Butler officers demanded half of the reward of \$5,000, and in order to hold the risoners warrants were sworn out for the Biddles, charging them with felonious shooting in attempting to kill Mrs. Soffel As there is nothing on which to hold Mrs. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 2, COL. 4.)

BANQUET AND RECEPTION

ADMIRAL SCHLEY ENTERTAINED BY KNIGHTS TEMPLARS.

While Mrs. Schley Was Taken Care of by the Women of Nashville-One Speech Cut Short.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 1.-The first day's entertainment of Admiral and Mrs. Waller, Porter moved toward Lanang, ar- members of the diplomatic corps in the Schley in Tennessee's capital culminated riving on Jan. 11 with two men, all ex- private apartments of the palace. The aua brilliant reception in honor of Mrs. R. P. Williams and over thirty men were since the return of the court to Peking. As long as he was able John was ex- Schley. While the Knights Templars had left in the mountains in similar condition | The exclusiveness of Chinese royalty and the admiral as their guest at the Duncan with the native bearers. A relief expedi- the prejudices against the meeting of the Hotel Mrs. Schley was entertained at the tion, under Lieut. Kenneth P. Williams, sexes was waived and the function was Maxwell House by the women of the patri- First Infantry, was delayed starting two less formal than is usual in European otic societies of the city.

city, the crush was as great as at the sta- cuing Lieutenant Williams and all except | Emperor was seated upon a small platform tion last night, thousands being unable to | ten men, not found, who are, no doubt, | in the center of the room. gain entrance to the hall of the House of dead from starvation, namely: Privates The visitors, upon entering, bowed twice Representatives, where the speeches were Fangule, E. Foster, G. M. Britt, T. Wards, to the Emperor and several of them asdelivered. At the Statehouse Governor and Brown, F. F. Murry, T. Buffet, Baley, cended the throne and bowed to the Mrs. McMillin, the Governor's staff, ex- Baroni, Connell R. Kettle, who died in the dowager Empress. Mrs. Conger, wife of Governor Buchanan and others extended hospital at Tacloban on Jan. 23. Captain United States Minister Conger, as doyeness of her husband. This life has been pretty greetings. United States Circuit Judge H. Porter, Lieutenant Williams and eighteen of the diplomatic corps, read a speech, tough to me and the end cannot come too | H. Lurton presided in the House of Repre- | men are in the hospital at Tacloban. They | which was translated by Secretary Wilsentatives. Governor McMillin spoke the are not very clear in mind regarding much liams. Mrs. Conger said: The principal subject of conversation on State's welcome. Following the Governor of the time covered by the period of suffer- "We heartily congratulated you and the Schley coming last. He said:

country, my people and my family. I have had no other view and no other ambition. If I have served you acceptably in the nearly one-half a century in your service I am fantry, and his relief party are unequaled satisfied. The memory of your welcome to-day will sweeten every hour of life I have yet to live. I have no other hope but to live always in your love and esteem and fill no place in which that might be placed in jeopardy.

It was nearly 2 o'clock when the admiral concluded his remarks, evoking continued applause, and after a hurried luncheon at the Duncan the party visited Vanderbilt University, where Chancellor Kirkland inthe students assembled in the university Then the Fisk University, the colored in-

stitution endowed by Clinton B. Fisk, was visited. The admiral spoke at some length, and as he warmed to his subject Mrs. Schley, who sat on the platform just in his rear, became perceptibly nervous and at length addressed him in an audible tone. Turning to her for a moment, the admiral again faced his audience, and, with a twinkle in his eye, said:

"The woman behind the man behind the guns says cease talking, and I shall have to bid you good-bye. reached, where the visitors dined in their own apartments and rested a short while prior to the evening's programme. Tomorrow the Hermitage, the home of Andrew Jackson, will be visited and services in the old Jackson church attended. At the banquet to-night Admiral Schley was vociferously applauded on being presented by Toastmaster Stahlman. He

"Out of the fullness of the heart the mouth speaketh and on this occasion, after the eloquent remarks of your toastmaster, I fell my heart is almost too full to give any utterance. The thousands I have met on my way from Washington, through In-Illinois, Kentucky and Tennessee, to have enthusiastically testified to their love, respect and confidence. I have served you all my life. I have had no guiding star, except your interest. I have lived somewhat on the outside of the country and at times it has been hard for me to keep the interest of patriotism burning in my heart. It has been my great honor to serve you from pole to pole and from sun to sun, throughout the temperate and the tropical zone, and I have never met a man who was not devoted to his flag-the one under which he served."

HIS RECORD NOT GOOD.

Grant Baumgartner Accused of

Robbing Women of Money. CINCINNATI, Feb. 1.-The case of U Grant Baumgartner, arrested here last night on several charges, was continued to-day till Feb. 5, awaiting requisition pa-Among the complainants is Mrs. J. H. Freeland, whose affidavits charge that he took \$400 from her while boarding at her | suicide by drinking carbolic acid. This cir- | speaking. The interpreters composed his

STORY OF THE SUFFERING OF AMER-ICAN MARINES RETOLD.

General Chaffee's Account of the Ter-

rible Hardships Endured by Brave Men in Samar.

PRAISE FOR LIEUT. WILLIAMS

WHOSE GALLANT PARTY OF SOL-DIERS RESCUED TWENTY.

Ten Marines Not Accounted for and Supposed to Have Perished from Starvation.

WERE ALL SWOLLEN

ACROSS THE ISLAND.

Marchers Were Famishing When Discovered.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 .- General Chaffee has cabled to the War Department a report of the march of Major Waller and his marines across Samar. It is the first full account of the march and tells a tale of terrible suffering and hardship. Major Waller, four officers and fifty men of the marine corps, Lieutenant Lyles, of the Twelfth Infantry, and thirty-six native bearers started during the last week in December from Lananga, on the east coast of Samar, to cross the island to Basey, about thirty-five miles distant. The story of their suffering is told in the following dispatch:

"The War Department is advised of the trip of Major Waller, four officers and fifty men of the marine corps, thirty-six native bearers, with four days' rations, who started the last week of December from Lanang, on the east coast of Samar, to cross the island to Basey, about thirty-five miles on the map. A trail at one time existed but was found in places only. Lieut. Lyles, Twelfth Infantry, accompanied the command. Incessant rains from the start, swollen streams and other natural obstacles made progress extremely slow. When rations were consumed the men became exhausted rapidly, dropping on the way. Major Waller separated from Captain Porter, Lieut. R. P. Williams and the major Speech by Mrs. Conger and Reply b part of the men and proceeded toward Basey, where he arrived Jan. 9 with two officers and thirteen men, also Lieut. Lyles. He returned to the mountains next day with relief, but returned to Basey about ten days later unsuccessful. Porter was to build rafts but the timber would not float. ing. All probably will recover. Major Wal-"I have all my life tried to serve my tions. The suffering of this command for twenty days cannot be described. The

for courage and labor." Movements of Transports.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 1.-The transport Thomas sailed to-day for Manila with 1,500 recruits, and a large number of passengers. The Grant is scheduled to sail Feb. 7 and will also carry many retroduced the admiral, who spoke briefly to cruits. The transport Rosecrans left Manila Jan. 24 with eight officers and 475 enlisted men and the third battalion of the Twenty-second Infantry. The Twenty-secand Infantry is scheduled to leave Manila to-day and the Twentieth Infantry on Feb. 16. The second battalion of the Seventeenth Infantry will stay at Manila until the ar- abroad." rival of the Twenty-seventh Infantry from

PALMA IS SILENT.

It was past & o'clock when the hotel was Will Not Discuss Rumor that He May Decline Cuban Presidency.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-T. Estrada Palma, President-elect of the republic of Cuba, whose home is at Central Valley, N. Y., has been in consultation with members of the Cuban commission, who are in this country, to urge a reduction of 50 per cent. in the duty of sugar imported from Cuba. Mr. Palma declined to discuss the situation either in Washington or in Cuba for publication until he has given it further consideration. There will be another conference, after which it is possible he may lecide to issue a statement defining his position. He refused to discuss the report hat he may decline to accept the presidency of the republic unless tariff concessions are made.

CHARGED WITH LARCENY

Arrest of a Man Who Was Responsible for a Girl's Suicide.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-James D. Corr was arraigned to-day and held for trial charged with the lerceny of \$7,000 from the dry goods firm of L. E. Boutelier Brothers, where he was employed as a bookkeeper. Corr came to New York three years ago from Beverly, N. J. About a year ago he commenced to pay attention to a woman named Ida Wall. She had a sister Edith, who became deeply infatuated with Corr. About a month ago Edith, believing her his infatuation for her sister, committed through an interpreter and bowed without

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GREAT SORROW EXPRESSED BY THE DOWAGER EMPRESS.

Sobbed as She Told Mrs. Conger the Attack on the Legations in Peking Was a Mistake.

RECEPTION AT THE PALACE

WOMEN AND CHILDREN OF THE DIP-

LOMATIC CORPS PRESENT.

the Dowager Empress-Pres-

ents Distributed.

PEKING, Feb. 1.-The dowager Empress, the Emperor and the Empress this after-"The second day after separating from noon received the ladies and children of the to-night in a banquet to the admiral and hausted physicially and mentally. Lieut. dience was the most revolutionary event days by the storm raging and the torrent | courts. The dowager Empress occupied At the Capitol this morning, where wel- in the river. It started on the 13th and the throne, with a brilliant assemblage of

imperial court that the unfortunate situa tion which led you to abandon your beauti- | nolds. ler at present is disordered in his recollec- ful capital has been so happily removed, that you are now permitted to return in freedom and peace. The events of the two years must have been as painful to you as efforts of Lieutenant Williams, First In- to the rest of the world; but the sting of the experience may be eliminated by the establishment of franker, more trustful and friendlier relations between the Chinese and the other peoples of the earth. The world is moving forward, the tide of progress cannot be stayed and it is hoped that China will join with the great sisterhood of nations in the grand march. The recent imperial edicts give promise of great good to your people and to your vast em-

The dowager Empress's reply was exceedingly friendly in tone. It was in part as

"Last year the dissensions in the palace caused a revolution which compelled our hasty departure, but it is a great gratification to us that your return to the capital has caused such rejoicing in China and

Baron Czikann, the Austrian minister and doyen of the diplomatic corps, presented all the ladies to the dowager Empress, who took the hand of each of them. They were next presented to the Emperor, who also shook hands with them. The guests then retired to an antercom. The dowager Empress, entering this room, grasped Mrs. Conger's hand, which she held for some minutes, trembling, weeping and sobbing loudly and exclaiming in broken sentences that the attack upon the legations was a terrible mistake and that she repented it bitterly. In reply, Mrs. Conger assured her that the past would be forgotten. Bracelets and rings of great value were then placed upon Mrs. Conger's wrists and

The dowager Empress made inquries regarding the other ladies who were in Peking during the siege of the legations, and Mmes. Bainbridge and Morris, the wives of Secretaries Bainbridge and Morris, of the American and French legations, respectively, were presented and warmly

Following the reception a banquet was Harriman, Hill and Cassatt will be some of given. This was spread upon three tables, the well-known financiers whom he will the dowager Empress sitting at the head of the principal table, with Mrs. Conger and Mme. Uchida on either side. The Emperor was the only man present, except Chang Tsi, prospective minister from China to Great Britain, who knelt beside the dowager Empress and interpreted what she said. The Emperor sat at the head of the second table. He and the dowager Empress touched glasses with the guests. The Dowager Empress talked animatedly. She said that China would abandon her policy of isolation and adopt the best features of Western life, and would send many students abroad. Afterward the dowager Empress and the Emperor mingled with their guests and her Majesty conversed with every one, and particularly noticed ove for Corr was hopeless on account of the children. The Emperor was addressed

hile she was with him in Rich- employers and they had him shadowed | Every lady of the visiting party was given mond. Va., having previously caused her for two weeks. Last Wednesday the firm a pair of jeweled bracelets and a solitaire baniel H. Harmon, jr., of McDowell counseparation from her husband. The police received an anonymous letter saying their pearl ring besides other souvenirs. say he is wanted also at Lynchburg and bookkeeper was juggling with the funds. Complaint has been received here from with Dr. Daniels. Mr. Harmon was worth Alexandria, Va., and other places on simi- An investigation was begun, and, it is al- Kuang-Hu that the soldiers of General more than half a million dollars and was lar charges. Baumgartner is under indict- leged, developed a shortage. Corr learned Tung Fu Hstang are committing acts of prominent in Democratic politics. The trouless people.

MUCH CEREMONY TO MARK THE AR-

Not Till He Is Pacing the Decks of

the Kaiser's Yacht Will He Be

"Officially" in America.

RIVAL OF PRINCE HENRY.

ASCEND THE GANGWAY OF THE EM-PEROR'S HOHENZOLLERN,

Raise the Standard of His Majesty and Then Receive Mayor Low and Other Welcomers.

PLENTY OF COMPANY AT SEA

EVERY BERTH ON THE KRONPRINZ WILHELM HAS BEEN TAKEN.

Trouble at New York, Where It Is Thought the Prince Should Be Treated as a Common Mortal.

BERLIN, Feb. 1 .- Prince Henry of Prussia will not officially arrive in America until he has walked across the Thirty-fourthstreet pier, New York city (set apart for the use of the North German Lloyd steamer Kronprinz Wilhelm and the imperial yacht), ascended the Hohenzollern's gangway and the imperial standard is hoisted. Various suggestions have been cabled

from Washington as to where and how the prince will be transferred from the Kronprinz Wilhelm to the yacht. Prince Henry has decided that it will be most convenient for the setamship to dock on one side of the pier and the Hohenzollern on the other. On board the yacht he will receive Mayor Low and the other members of the welcoming party.

The United States ambassador, Andrew D. White, the secretary of the United States embassy, John B. Jackson, and all the other members of the embassy will assemble at the railroad station to-morrow to bid an official farewell to Prince Henry, who will leave Berlin at 9 a. m. for Kiel. The prince will return from Kiel Feb. 9 to receive the Emperor's farewell instructions, but it is expected he will go to Potsdam and not visit Berlin. The United States naval attache, Commander W. H. Beehler, will see the prince off at Bremerhaven. Every berth on the Kronpring Wilhelm has been taken, a thing previously

unknown at this season of the year, Prince Henry has received in audience Prof. Kuno Francke, of Harvard, and conversed with him about the proposed Harvard Germanic museum, manifesting lively interest in the matter. Professor Francke has lectured on the subject at Munich, Frankfort and Nuremberg. It is projected to initiate a movement among the German university men and capitalists for suppplementing Emperor William's present of the museum to Harvard by popular gifts illus-

trating German art development. TROUBLE AT NEW YORK.

come was formally extended by State and reached the marines on the eighteeth, res- princesses and court ladies about her. The New Yorkers Think There Is Too Much Fuss Over the Prince. NEW YORK, Feb. 1.-James B. Reynolds,

Mayor Low's secretary, said yesterday that it was by no means a foregone conclusion that the Board of Aldermen would be asked for an appropriation to cover the expenses incident to the reception of Prince Henry. "In view of the present attitude of the board, is it not likely that they will not be asked at all?" asked the reporter.

Maurice Grau seemed tired when asked if any further arrangements of the gala performance of opera in honor of Prince Henry had been made. "There is nothing new,

said Mr. Grau, wearily. Thomas Hitchcock, the owner of Partiere Box 33, is quite as firmly decided as ever not to allow his box to be used for the royal guest at the gala performance. "I consider myself quite as good as Prince Henry." Mr. Hitchcock said, "and I don't see why I should be called on to give up my box in honor of him. And I would like to see anybody take my property without my consent. This whole matter of a royal box is a piece of snobbishness. It is contrary to the principles of democracy, and the prince who comes here as a private individual should be asked to the opera as the guest of one of the stockholders. The President of the United States does not have a royal box when he goes to the theater. but sits in an ordinary box just as the rest of the people in the theater do. I would not object to giving up my box for any reasonable purpose. But this plan is merely

to entertain a snip of roy alty, and the com-

mittee had no right to so ahead and say

they were going to use our boxes before

they had asked our permission to use them. I know that Mr. Morgan has not given the use of his box, whatever may be said to the contrary. The luncheon to be given by twelve prominent business men of New York at Sherry's on Wednesday, Feb. 26, at which Prince Heary will meet the 100 men who are supposed to represent best and most completely the forces behind the wonderful industrial development of the United States, will be in no sense a public function. There will be no speeches, and those bidden will linger as short a time at table as comports with good digestion. The German ambassador has informed the gentlemen whose guest the prince will be that what the brother of the Kaiser desires most is to meet and become as well acquainted as possible with the men behind the industrial guns of this country. He wants the opportunity to have a little talk with each of these men at the luncheon and he has asked, therefore, the time at the table be as short as convenient. Morgan, Scott, Cramp, Nixon, Carnegie, Pupin, Vanderbilt,

Otey Would Change the Itinerary. WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 .- Representative Otey, of Virginia, to-day introduced in the House a resolution providing that the itinerary of Prince Henry of Prussia shall extend through Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Tennessee. This proposed route includes the great Appalachian chain and the Chickamauga Park. The resolution provides that President Roosevelt shall duly consider this proposed trip, as it is represented to curtail about twelve miles of the already arranged itinerary.

Ex-Sheriff Killed in a Street Duct. WELCH, W. Va., Feb. 1.-Ex-Sheriff

R. Hufford in a cafe. Daniels and Harmon were arrayed on different sides during this tragedy. More trouble is expected.

TRIAL OF NEELY.

Unimportant Evidence on Saturday-Comment on the Election.

HAVANA, Feb. 1 .- Nothing important developed in to-day's hearing of the Cuban postal fraud cases. Mr. Wilmot, private secretary to Estes G. Rathbone, was recalled by the government to testify regarding certain expenditures of Rathbone while in New York. The owner of Rathbone's official residence took the stand and testified to the amount of rent paid him and regarding improvements made upon Rathbone's residence and other matters.

upon the recent elections, says: "After twenty-eight days the provincial board has finished its work and given out figures showing that 55,486 voters went to the polls PREPARED BY THE JUDICIARY COMin the province of Havana. Nobody believes that fifty thousands persons took part in the election. Not over 7,000 voted in Havana city, and the same indifference prevailed throughout the province. According to the census there are 75,000 persons of electoral age in the province, 35,000 being in the city Seventh Section Directed Against Agof Havana. In spite of this, 45,000 were in-

Havana de La Republica, commenting

scribed in Havana." Referring to elections in other countries, where only a person who votes is a voter, and where the returns are made the day following the election, La Republica says: "In Cuba things are different, and the part played by the voter is insignificant. All depends upon the action of the provincial

BLOW TO TOM JOHNSON.

Tax on \$17,250,000 Worth of Corpora-

tion Property Remitted.

COLUMBUS, Feb. 1 .- The State Board of ernor, auditor of state and the attorney general, this morning remitted the tax placed against the Cleveland franchise corporations by the Cleveland Board of Equalization on property aggregating \$17,250,000. They do this because the Board of Equali- | Special to the Indianapolis Journal. zation, in adding this amount to the corporations have applied the principles of tee of the judiciary committee, of which the Nichol law, which specifically applies Representative Jesse Overstreet is a memto all telephone, telegraph and express ber, which has for three weeks been concompanies. The corporations that get this sidering bills introduced by over a score of reduction are the Cleveland Electric Railway Company, Cleveland City Railway Company, the Cleveland Gas Light and archy, decided on a bill to-day which was Coke Company, the People's Gas Light Company and the Cleveland Electric Il-

luminating Company. CLEVELAND, Feb. 1.-Referring to the action of the State Board of Tax Commission in wiping out an aggregate increase of | mittee made a thorough investigation of all over \$17,000,000 to the tax valuation of several large corporations as fixed by the Board of Equalization in this city, Mayor Johnson said to-day: "There is no comment to be made, other than all departments will be short of funds this year.' The decision will cut off the city for the year to the the extent of \$50,000 or more.

AT LEAST EIGHTY-FIVE MANGLED BY AN EXPLOSION.

Disaster in the Hondo Collieries in Mexico-Death List May Exceed

One Hundred.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Feb. 1.-Eighty-five miners killed and fifty more buried under debris is the fearful record made by a dust explosion at the Hondo mines, in Mexico, the news of which was received here tonight. At the time the explosion occurred there were 160 miners at work in the mine, all of whom were entombed by the shaft being choked up by falling earth and stone loosened by the explosion. Just how many are dead is not at this time known, but at last accounts received here by wire to-night eighty-five dead bodies had been recovered.

It is thought that the death list will be over one hundred. The Hondo mines are located at Cohilla, at a terminus of a branch of the Mexican International road, about 100 miles south of Eagle Pass, and are the most important in that State. Details of the disaster are

meager, no names of the victims being

CAPT. CARTER'S ANSWER

"That is quite possible," replied Mr. Rey- Filed in the Civil Proceedings in the

Chicago Federal Court. M. Carter's answer in the civil proceedings. | foreign government who is credited to this begun some months ago, for the purpose of impounding certain property said to have States. been secreted by his relatives, was filed today in the United States Circuit Court. Other answers were filed by Stanton Carter and Lorenzo D. Carter, brother and uncle of the principal defendant. These two deny generally and in detail the charges that they have conspired to conceal the funds which their relative is said to have realized

from his alleged embezzlement of government funds. Carter explains his ownership of valuable bonds and real estate by stating his only interest in these was received from his father-in-law, the late Robert F. Westcott, a millionaire, as whose agent he had received about \$139,186 in bonds and notes. Carter also charges his troubles to Capt Cassins E. Gillette, who was his successor in charge of engineering work in the Savannah district, and the board of inquiry, which was selected by Gen. John M. Wilson, whom he considered hostile. It con-

ity of whom Carter considered prejudiced. LITTLE FOR DEPOSITORS.

Bank at Belwood, Neb., Literally

Looted by Its Late Cashier. DAVID CITY, Neb., Feb. 1.-Because of threats to do violence to the Goulds, cashier and assistant cashier of the broken tra guards at the county jail last night and the same is maintained to-night. Bank Examiner Hartwell said to-day that the farther he progressed in the examination the more deplorable the condition of the bank appeared. He doubted if depositors would realize 5 per cent. The number of forged notes, too, are daily increasing, 150 being shown thus far, some of them for large amounts. Examiner Hartwell finds evidence that A. H. Gould, the cashler, has

been forging notes for ten or twelve years. BALLOONIST KILLED

Disastrous End of Experimental Trip

from Berlin to Antwerp. ANTWERP, Feb. 1 .- Capt. Tartsch Von Siegfield, the military aeronaut, and Dr. Linke, who left Berlin this afternoon on a short experimental trip, were carried away by a gale and reached here after a five hours' voyage, when the balloon collapsed, Captain Von Siegfield was killed, but Dr. Linke escaped with several bruises.

UNCONFIRMED RUMOR.

Sensational Rumor that an Attmept Has Been Made on the Czar's Life. LONDON, Feb. 2.-The Sunday special correspondent in Vienna telegraphs that sensational rumors were current there last night that an attempt had been made upon

BILL THAT PROVIDES DEATH PUN-

ISHMENT FOR ASSASSINS.

And Imprisonment for Persons Who Assault Presidents or Those Who

Are in Line of Succession.

WILL BE PASSED BY CONGRESS

MITTEE OF THE HOUSE.

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Johann Most Class.

M. SHAW NOW SECRETARY

INSTALLED AT THE HEAD OF THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Tax Registration, consisting of the Gov- Oath of Office Administered by Mr. Justice Shiras in the Presence of

Friends and Officials.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.-The subcommitmembers of the House pertaining to ansubmitted to the entire judiciary committee and will be favorably reported to the House by Chairman Ray, of New York. No particular bill was selected. The subcomthe statutes, Supreme Court decisions,

numerous reports, the report of the com-

mission to revise the laws, etc., and it was

agreed that after a satisfactory bill had been decided on it would stand as the bill and the report of the committee. The first section provides that any person who kills the President of the United States shall suffer death. The second inflicts a death punishment on any person who kills the Vice President, or any officer of the United States entitled by law to succeed to the presidency. The punishment for an attempt on the lives of any of these officials is placed at ten years; should he inflict bodily harm on any of these officials and the injuries do not cause death, the punishment is placed at life imprisonment. The bill further provides that any person

who aids, abets, incites or conspires with

another to commit either of the above

offenses, shall be deemed a principal offender and on conviction be imprisoned twenty-five years. The seventh section is prepared purposely for the benefit of the advocates of anarchy, for instance, such people as Emma Goldman, Johann Most and their kind, as follows: "Any person who advocates, advises or teaches the duty, necessity or propriety of the unlawfully killing or assaulting of one or more officials of the government, or of any civilized nation, because of their official character, or who openly, willfully and deliberately justifies such killing or

assault, shall be fined \$5,000 or imprisoned twenty years, or both." A section of the bill provides that, should any person conspire with others to kill within or without the United States, the chief executive or chief magistrate of any other nation, shall be punished by death; any person who believes in anarchy will not be allowed to enter the United States, and any person who is a resident of the United States when the act takes effect,

and is not a naturalized citizen will be refused that privilege. The last section inflicts a death punishment on any person who kills or conspires CHICAGO, Feb. 1 .- Former Capt. Oberlin to kill any ambassador or minister of a government while he is in the United

> SHAW SUCCEEDS GAGE. Is Sworn in and Installed as Secre-

tary of the Treasury. WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.-At 10.30 o'clock this morning, in the presence of the chief officials of the Treasury Department, Senator Dolliver and nearly all of Iowa's delegation in the lower house of Congress, and other friends, former Governor Leslie M. Shaw, of Iowa, took the prescribed oath of office as secretary of the treasury, succeeding Lyman J. Gage. The oath was administered by Mr. Justice Shiras, of the United States Supreme Court, in the largest of the secretary's office rooms in the Treasury sisted of three engineer officers, the major- building. As soon as the ceremony was concluded Secretary Shaw was warmly congratulated by each person present upon his access to his high office. The retiring secretary was among the first to grasp his hand, and as he did so said: "Mr. Secretary. I congratulate you and wish for your administration the highest possible degree

> of success. Secretary Shaw responded: "I thank you. sir, sincerely, and if my success shall be anything like that of my predcessor I shall be fully satisfied The new and the retiring secretaries then received all of the officials and clerks in the Treasury building to the number of over two thousand. Secretary Gage has the love and respect of the officials and clerks of the department to a remarkable egree, as was shown in their leave-taking. Many eyes were wet and voices trembled as the chief they had known and loved so well

> was grasped by the hand probably for the Secretary Gage remained in conference with his successor an hour or more and then left the department. He will go to New York to-morrow or Monday to remain a few days, and in the course of two or three weeks will go to Florida for a rest of two or three months. From that time his movements have not been definitely decided pon, but it is altogether probable that he will return to Chicago and accept the presidency of a large trust company. Secretary Shaw stated to-day that for the present at least he would continue the

purchase of bonds for the sinking fund on the present basis.

HOUSE PROCEEDINGS.

Bill Passed to Prevent Sale of Liquor to Uncivilized Peoples.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1 .- When the House met to-day a joint resolution was adopted to transfer to the library of Congress the collection of state reports in possession of the industrial commission.

A bill was passed to grant a right of way through Oklahoma and Indian Territories to the Enid & Anadargo Railroad.

The Senate bill to prevent the sale of firearms, oplum and intoxicating liquors in the New Hebrides caused some good-